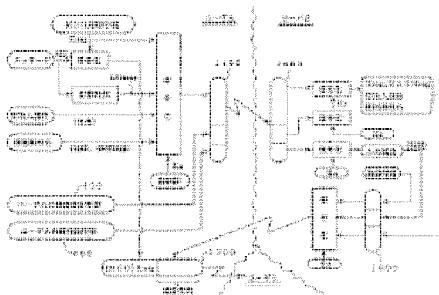


**METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR EXCHANGING ELECTRONIC MESSAGE, AND
STORAGE MEDIUM FOR ELECTRONIC MESSAGE EXCHANGING
PROCESSING****Publication number:** JP9046335 (A)**Publication date:** 1997-02-14**Inventor(s):** MIYAZAKI HIROSHI; SAMEJIMA YOSHIKI +**Applicant(s):** HITACHI SOFTWARE ENG +**Classification:****- international:** G06F13/00; G06F15/00; G06F21/20; G09C1/00; H04L12/54; H04L12/58; H04L9/32; G06F13/00; G06F15/00; G06F21/20; G09C1/00; H04L12/54; H04L12/58; H04L9/32; (IPC1-7): G06F13/00; G06F15/00; G09C1/00; H04L12/54; H04L12/58; H04L9/32**- European:****Application number:** JP19960123463 19960517**Priority number(s):** JP19960123463 19960517; JP19950121462 19950519**Abstract of JP 9046335 (A)**

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To enable an agent having a reception attribute specified by a transmitting entity to receive a message by ciphering the message by a cipher key corresponding to the attribute of a reception entity and transmitting the ciphered message to a receiver side device only when the receiver side entity has the specified reception entity.

SOLUTION: A certification request 1400 consisting of cipher information obtained by ciphering the certification request 1400 by a user's own secret key K_a , the information of a secret key certificate 400 for the user A and the information of a user attribute certificate 800 is prepared and sent to a server computer to request the certification of an attribute. The server computer checks whether the information of the certificate 400 can be correctly decoded by its own secret key K_s or not, and when the information can be correctly decoded, obtains the key K_a as the user's secret key. Then the server computer decodes the cipher information by the user's secret key K_a and certifies that the user A has an attribute specified by the attribute information. Then the server computer ciphers certification information 600 by its own secret key K_s to generate ciphered certification information 1700 and returns the information 1700 to the user A.



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